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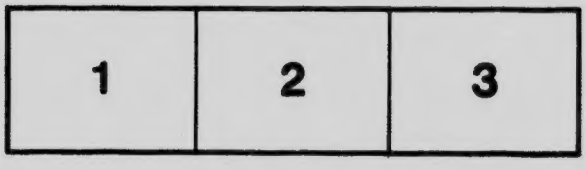

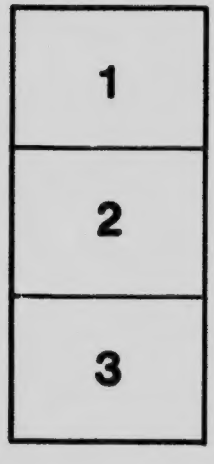

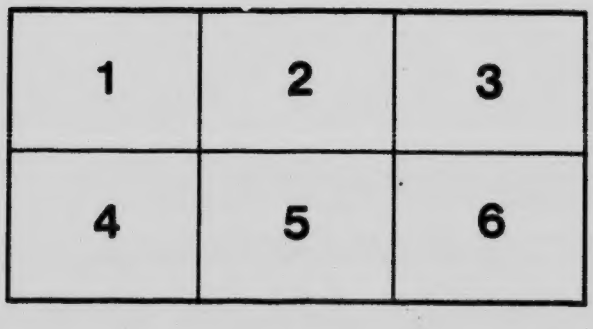

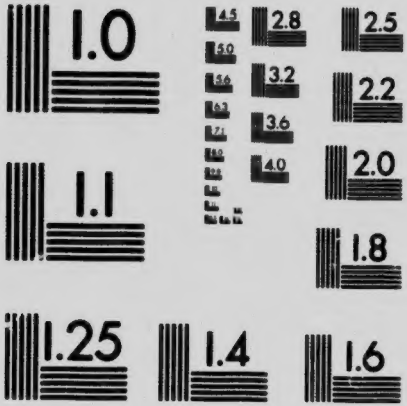

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OTTAWA, October 30th, 1918.
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MR. JAS. P. MURRAY,
President of "The Catholic Truth Society of Canada,"
Toronto (Ont.).

Dear Sir,—

Your kind letter of the 28th inst. has pleased me very much, and I sincerely appreciate the expression of good wishes and the sentiments of the "Catholic Truth Society of Canada," which were conveyed to me through you.

I hope and pray that God may bless your every endeavour for the propagation of the Catholic truth, the salvation of souls, and the increment of your well deserving Society.

In thanking you most sincerely for your gracious message, and for your attachment to the Supreme Pontiff, let me give you, and your Society's members, my blessing.

With sentiments of high esteem,

I am, dear sir,

Faithfully yours,

(S) † P. DI MARIA,
Arch. of Iconium,
Ap. Del.

ARCHBISHOP'S PALACE,
St. Boniface,
Chancery.

St. Boniface, August 1st, 1918.
Manitoba, Canada.

C. F. LEONARD, ESQ.,
Hon. Secretary,
67 Bond Street, Toronto.

Dear Sir,—

His Grace, the Archbishop of St. Boniface, after an earnest consideration of the scheme for the federation of the Canadian Catholic Truth Societies for the diffusion of Catholic truth, directs me to answer you that he is certainly in favour of such organization.

A Dominion-wide Catholic Truth Society of Canada in name as well as in action cannot but receive his approval and furtherance, as it is destined to promote the Catholic truth, and contribute towards a better knowledge of the real true faith.

Believe me, dear sir,

Yours sincerely in Christ,

(S) J. H. PRIED'LOUERU, Pr.
Chancellor.

L.J.C. Archeveche d'Edmonton
&
M.I.

South Edmonton, Le 30 July, 1918.

The Catholic Literature League of Canada,
The Catholic Truth Society of Canada,
67 Bond Street, Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sirs,—

In answer to your communication of recent date, I beg to state that I very willingly endorse the resolution passed at the special meeting of June 14th ultimo, recommending the federation of existing Catholic Truth Societies in Canada, and the organization of a central bureau for the furtherance of this scheme, and I believe that the said scheme will greatly increase the usefulness of all the Catholic Truth Societies.

I remain,

Dear sirs,

Yours very sincerely in Xt & M.I.,

(S) † Emile J. Legal,

O.M.I. Archbp. of Edmonton.

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE

QUEBEC.

August 7th, 1918.

THE CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY,
Toronto, Ontario.

Gentlemen,—

I am directed by His Eminence, Cardinal Begin, to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Minutes of the special meeting of the Catholic Literature League of Canada, held in Montreal on June 14th ultimo.

His Eminence heartily approves of your plans for the wider diffusion of sound Catholic literature by the federation of the several branches of the Catholic Truth Society, an organization that has been productive of so much good in the United Kingdom and in our own country by dispelling prejudice, instructing the ignorant, and fortifying those who are exposed to waver in their faith.

With sincere wishes for the success of your praiseworthy and apostolic undertaking.

Yours devotedly,

(S) LIONEL LINDSAY, Prt.,
Private Secretary.

JAS. P. MURRAY, ESQ.,
67 Bond Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,—

I understand the good that can be done by a society like "The Catholic Truth Society of Canada." I know the good it has done in the past through all our dear Canada, and I ask God to shower His blessings upon those who work at the diffusion of Catholic literature. The children of our Divine Church must read these books and pamphlets in which are truths that they have to spread around them. Those who have not our faith must find the opportunity of knowing what we believe and what we are.

I am disposed to do my best to help you, and I hope that all the societies in Canada working for the same end will join together and then be more prepared to do the good we expect from them.

Believe me always,

Yours devotedly,

(S) † O. E. MATHIEU,
Arch. of Regina.

Le Bret,
27th July, 1918.

The Palace.
Kingston, Ont., Nov. 16, 1918.

J. P. MURRAY, ESQ.,
Pres. Catholic Truth Society,
67 Bond Street. Toronto.

Dear Mr. Murray,—

Pressure of business, and not any hesitancy as to the necessity of the work you have undertaken, explains my delay in replying to your letter.

The proposed federation of all the Catholic Truth Societies of Canada has my cordial approval and endorsation. Division of effort is always a weakness, whereas in unity there is strength, and when the proposed federation becomes an accomplished fact I am confident that the all-Canadian Society will prove a notable asset in the correction of error and misrepresentation, and the diffusion of Catholic truth.

With a blessing on your truly Catholic work.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely in Christ,

(S) † M. J. SPRATT,
Archbishop of Kingston.

ARCHBISHOP'S RESIDENCE
Head of Wellesley Place.

Toronto, December 7, 1918.

JAMES P. MURRAY, ESQ.,
The Catholic Truth Society of Canada,
Toronto.

Dear Mr. Murray,—

I have watched for some years the growth of the Society of which you are President, and I can bear testimony to its growth as a means of enabling hundreds of thousands of people throughout Canada to read Catholic printed matter which they would not have otherwise had an opportunity of reading.

The several laymen associated with you in this work deserve great credit for their regularity in attending your meetings, and their interest in building up the Society.

I know that any funds entrusted to the Catholic Truth Society of Canada for use in this work will be expended intelligently and conscientiously.

Sincerely yours,

(S) † N. MCNEIL,
Archbishop of Toronto.

Archeveche
de
Montreal.

Montreal, November 5th, 1918.

Mr. Jas. P. Murray,
President of the Catholic Truth Society of Canada.

My Dear Mr. Murray,—

I have read with interest the minutes of a special meeting of the Catholic Literature League, at which you explained the advantage of a federation of the societies which now existing under different names are really intended to serve the same purpose, namely the spread of Catholic truth. I have also read a copy of the letter which the Cardinal and Archbishops received in which the scheme of federation was more fully outlined.

I am very happy to give my approval to this proposition. The question of expense is a live one to-day, and I agree with you that you can best serve the interests of Catholic truth by having one central administration. This will enable you to secure the writings of the best Canadian authors, and also to multiply the number of tracts, and cover a wider range of subjects.

It is necessary in these evil days, when the enemy of mankind is sowing so many tares in the field of the Father, for the children of the household of the Faith, to spread more abundantly than ever the good seed of Catholic truth. Wishing the new Society every blessing, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

(S) † Paul.

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE,
11 Kennedy Street.

Winnipeg, August 25th, 1918.

MR. J. P. MURRAY,
President of the Catholic Truth Society of Canada,
Toronto.

My Dear Mr. Murray,—

I am glad to learn that your project for the federation of Catholic Truth Societies in Canada is in a fair way of being realized. You have made a good beginning. Union and co-operation will surely make for a more effective diffusion of Catholic truth.

Anything I can do will be gla[illegible]ne.

Very sincerely yours in Xto,

(S) † ALFRED A. SINNOTT,
Arp. of Winnipeg.